

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q67030

Hidenori MUKAIDA

Appln. No.: 09/985,856

Group Art Unit: 2837

Confirmation No.: 4383

Examiner: Shih Y. Hsieh

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For:

ENGINE MUFFLER

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 21, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages. The format of this Amendment complies with that specified and allowed via the Pre-OG Notice of January 31, 2003, entitled, *Amendments in a Revised Format Now Permitted*, wherein the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 (a-d) have been waived.

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